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PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES:	BOARD OF CLINICAL SOCIAL WORK EXAMINERS
MEETING DATE AND TIME:	Monday, September 18, 2017 at 9:00 a.m.
PLACE:	861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware Conference Room A , second floor of the Cannon Building
MINUTES FOR APPROVAL:	October 16, 2017

MEMBERS PRESENT

John Mucha, Professional Member, **President**, Presiding
Kyla Gleockler, Public Member **Vice President**
Dajoun Sewell, Public Member, **Secretary**
Precious Benson, Public Member
Daphne Warner, Professional Member
Linda Brittingham, Professional Member

DIVISION STAFF/DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL PRESENT

Eileen Kelly, Deputy Attorney General
Nicole Williams, Administrative Specialist III
Karen Carn, Administrative Specialist II

MEMBERS ABSENT

No members were absent.

ALSO PRESENT

Dr. Marlene Saunders, National Association of Social Workers, Delaware Chapter
Michelle Adams

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Mucha called the meeting to order at 9:04 a.m.

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Board reviewed the minutes for the August 21, 2017 meeting. Mr. Mucha advised of a few amendments needed. Mr. Mucha moved, seconded by Ms. Sewell, to approve the August minutes as amended. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Signing of Order Lifting Probation for Christine Caputo

Ms. Kelly advised that this agenda item will be on October's agenda as it was added to the September agenda in error.

JSC Legislative bill update

Ms. Kelly provided the legislative update advising that Ms. Vaughn Wagner could not attend this meeting but will have an updated draft ready for the October meeting. However, in October the Board has a hearing that could last all day therefore Ms. Kelly will confer with Ms. Vaughn Wagner to determine if she will be able to review in October or November.

Dr. Saunders addressed the Board and advised that she reviewed the definitions that were submitted to Ms. Kelly and was more than pleased with the extent and clarity of the definitions for the three levels of practice.

NEW BUSINESS

Ratification of Application(s) to Sit for ASWB Clinical Exam

Mr. Mucha moved, seconded Ms. Sewell by to ratify the below application(s) to sit for the ASWB Clinical Exam. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Morgan McCormick

Robert Sherrell

Meghan McManus

Steven Studer

Ratification of Application(s) by Reciprocity

Mr. Mucha moved, seconded by Ms. Warner, to ratify the below application(s) for licensure by reciprocity. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Susan Nyden

Status of Complaints

Complaint #31-05-17 – Closed by the Investigator

Complaint #31-06-17 – Closed by the Investigator

Complaint #31-03-17 – Sent to AG's Office

In Re Diana Galaris, Complaint no. 31-10-15: Request to have preliminary matters decided by Hearing Officer

Ms. Kelly explained this matter and advised the Board needs to vote to delegate the preliminary matters to be heard before the Hearing Officer. Ms. Sewell moved, seconded by Mr. Mucha, to delegate the preliminary matters to be heard before the Hearing Officer for the Galaris case. By unanimous vote, the motion carried.

Mr. Mucha advised the Board to clear their calendars for October given the hearing that will take place before the Board.

Review and Approval of the 2018 Meeting Dates

The Board reviewed the 2018 calendar. Ms. Williams will look into possibly scheduling the January meeting at an earlier date. Ms. Kelly will notify Ms. Wagner about the later date for the January hearing with regards to the draft legislative bill. The Board approved the 2018 meeting dates.

CORRESPONDENCE

Ms. Williams provided a little background regarding licensure portability. The Board reviewed the letter from ASWB regarding licensure portability. Ms. Brittingham advised that this is a current trend among healthcare professions, as nursing currently has a compact law. Ms. Kelly advised that the Board can vote to support this concept. Ms. Brittingham moved, seconded by Ms. Sewell, to approve the practice mobility concept as presented by ASWB. By unanimous vote, the motion carried. Ms. Williams will send a letter of correspondence to Dr. Fran Franklin of ASWB regarding the Board's decision.

OTHER BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD (FOR DISCUSSION ONLY)

There was no other business before the Board.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Dr. Saunders addressed the Board to acknowledge the process that has guided the NASW process in multi-tier licensure.

Ms. Brittingham advised that license mobility correlates directly with Dr. Saunders statement regarding multi-tier licensure.

Mr. Mucha addressed Mr. Mangler and inquired how the Division will handle the new law change after the multi-tier licensure bill passes legislation. Mr. Mangler advised that DPR gets no state funding to operate, all fees to operate come from the licensees. The law's effective date will allow the Division time to set up the new license types and will allow the Board time to establish regulations for the multi-tier licensure as well.

Mr. Mucha addressed Mr. Mangler about licensure portability. Mr. Mangler responded that physical therapy is looking into a compact and the Federation of State Medical Boards is new to establishing a compact as well. He advised that the first step towards pursuing it is to research the concept. The Association of Boards is in the early stages of developing the compact or license portability. Once model language is developed there is a fair amount of education for the legislatures to understand the model language because once established the model language cannot be changed. There was no further discussion.

Mr. Mucha welcomed Ms. Benson to her first official meeting as a public member for the Board.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled for October 16, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. in Conference Room A, of the Cannon Building, 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Suite 203, Dover, Delaware.

ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Sewell moved, seconded by Ms. Gleockler to adjourn the meeting. There being no further business before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 9:50 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Nicole M. Williams". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Nicole M. Williams

Administrative Specialist III

Delaware Board of Clinical Social Work Examiners

The notes of this meeting are not intended to be a verbatim record of the topics that were presented or discussed. They are for the use of the Board members and the public in supplementing their personal notes and recall for presentations.